

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT AND BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF IDAHO**

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC ACCESS TO)
THE COURTS DATA BASE) **General Order # 166**
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This matter coming before the Court after review of electronic access provided to the bench, bar and public over the District of Idaho's Internet site, and

The Court having a long history of providing free public electronic access to the public, and

The Court taking notice that Internet access to court information has increased 459% since 1997 and,

The Court strongly supporting equal access to court records for all persons, irrespective if those individuals happen to live in cities with court locations, and

The Court being committed to reducing the cost of litigation as required by the Civil Justice Reform Act, NOW THEREFORE

IT IS ORDERED THAT all classes of persons are exempt from paying public access fees on Idaho's Internet site to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to judiciary information.

This order supercedes the General Order 140 entered on September 12, 1997 and General Order 85 entered on December 7, 1992.

Dated this 20th day of March, 2001.

Signed B.L.M. (Original on File)
B. Lynn Winmill, Chief District Judge

Signed J.D.P. (Original on File)
Jim D. Pappas, Chief Bankruptcy Judge

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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